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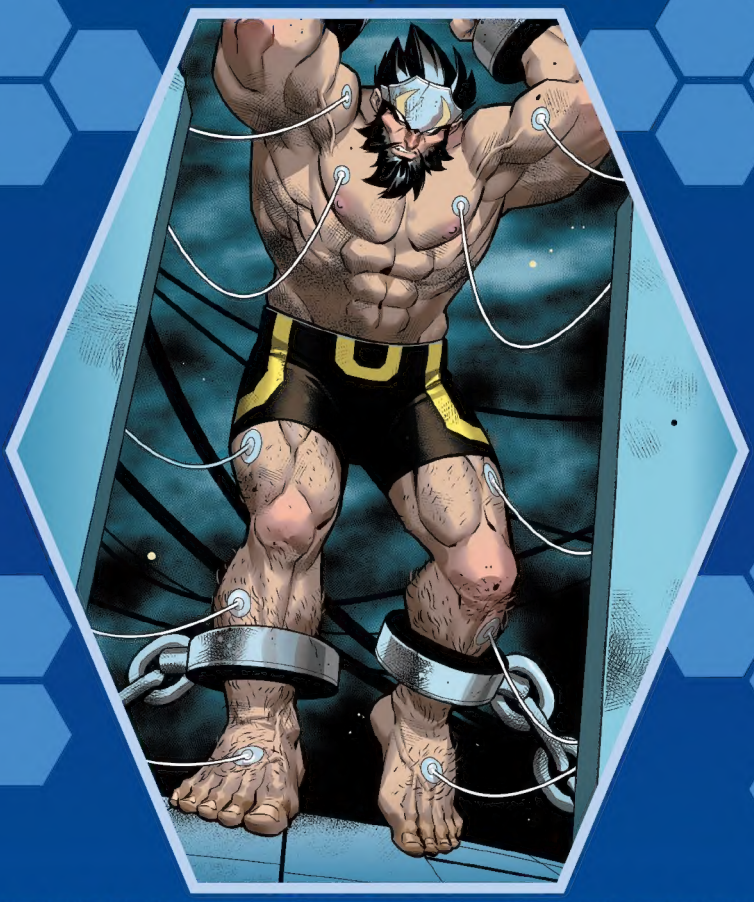
THE LAST INHUMAN

EXPERIMENTED UPON LONG AGO BY ALIENS KNOWN AS THE KREE, *THE INHUMANS* ARE A RACE OF SUPER-BEINGS WHO CAN UNLOCK AMAZING ABILITIES VIA THE MYSTERIOUS ELEMENT *TERRIGEN*.

BUT AFTER LEARNING THAT TERRIGEN WAS POISONING EARTH'S MUTANT POPULATION, THE QUEEN OF THE INHUMANS, *MEDUSA*, DESTROYED ALL TRACES OF IT, MEANING THERE WILL BE NO MORE NEW INHUMANS. HEAVY WITH GUILT, MEDUSA ABDICATED THE THRONE—LEAVING THE INHUMANS WITHOUT THEIR ROYAL FAMILY.

BUT IF THE ROYALS CAN NO LONGER RULE INHUMANITY...THEY CAN STILL SAVE IT.

ROYALS



MARVEL BOY RECRUITED THE ROYAL FAMILY AND A COUPLE NEW INHUMANS TO FIND A SECRET BURIED IN THE REMAINS OF HALA, THE KREE HOMEWORLD, WHICH COULD RESTORE THE INHUMAN RACE.

ON HALA, THE ROYALS LEARNED OF THE EXISTENCE OF PRIMAGEN, THE TERRIGEN-LIKE CATALYST THAT MADE THE KREE. TO FIND IT AND ITS PROGENITORS, THE ROYALS MUST TRACK THE SKYSPEARS—STRANGE, DEADLY OBELISKS THAT LANDED NEAR INHUMAN POPULATION CENTERS MONTHS AGO.

THEIR FIRST STOP WAS CENTAURI-IV, THE NEW HOME OF THE UNIVERSAL INHUMANS. THERE, MAXIMUS FORCED MARVEL BOY TO TOUCH A SKYSPEAR, HOPING ITS REACTION WOULD REVEAL NEW TRUTHS ABOUT KREE AND INHUMAN HERITAGE.

BUT WHILE MAXIMUS PLAYED SCIENTIST, GORGON WAS AMBUSHED BY A REBEL FACTION OF SNARKS, AND THE REST OF THE TEAM WASN'T FAR BEHIND. THE WARMONGERING ALIENS HAVE NOW CAPTURED ALL BUT MAXIMUS, MEDUSA AND MARVEL BOY—AND STOLEN THEIR POWERS, INCLUDING GORGON'S MIGHTY HOOVES.

THOUSANDS OF YEARS IN THE FUTURE, THE PROGENITORS ARE RETURNING, AND ONLY THE LAST INHUMAN—A WORN MAXIMUS THE MAD—AND THE ACCUSER—AN OLDER NOH-VARR—STAND IN THEIR WAY.

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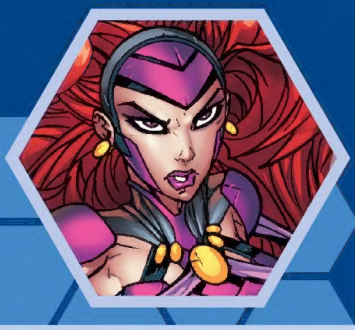
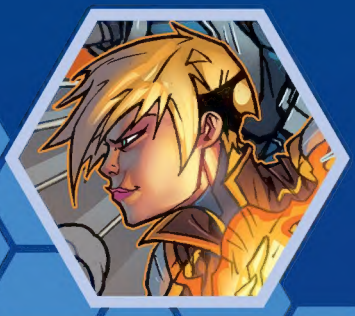


MEDUSA

Wife of Black Bolt. Her hair is stronger than steel—and entirely under her control.

MAXIMUS

Brother of Black Bolt. Super-genius and mind-controller. Completely insane.



CRYSTAL

Sister of Medusa. She has total control over air, earth, fire and water.

GORGON

Cousin of Black Bolt. One stomp of his hooves makes the earth tremble.

SWAIN

A new Inhuman. She can push emotions and opinions in her favor.

MARVEL BOY

Kree explorer from another dimension. Engineered with insect traits for combat superiority.

FLINT

A new Inhuman. Rock and stone obey his thoughts—the bigger, the better.

Crack In The Sky

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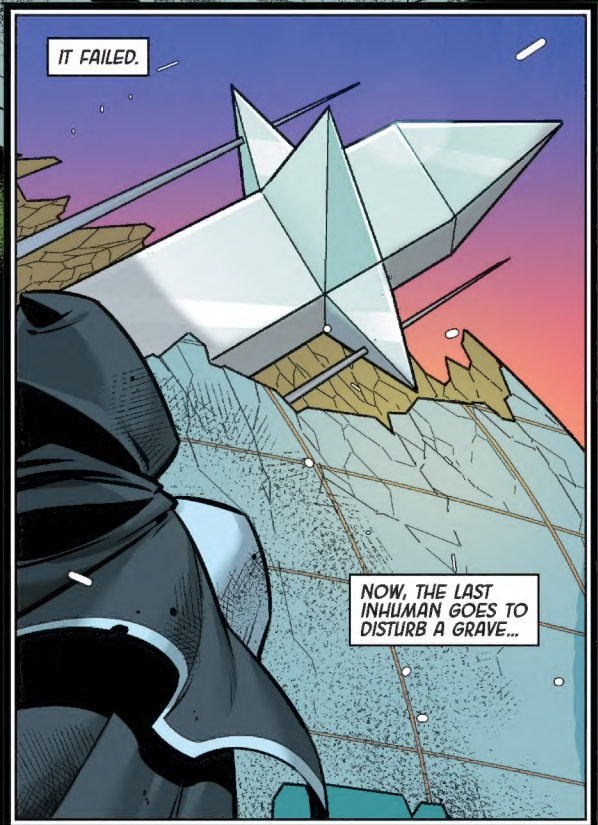
THE ACCUSER TAKES POTSHOTS AT THE WAVES, DRIVING THE RAFT FORWARD WITH THE RECOIL.

THE DOME BEFORE THEM KEEPS THE WATER FROM FULLY CLAIMING THE CITY--BUT THAT WAS ALWAYS A SECONDARY CONCERN.

IT WAS BUILT TO KEEP OUT THE **WAR.**



HE NEVER WILL.
NOW.
CONTACT
--A NOISE OF THUNDER--
SENTIENT/KREE/ NOH-VARR/ "MARVEL BOY"
RUN/INITIATE/?ERROR?/ SPECIES OUTSIDE PROGRAM LIMIT
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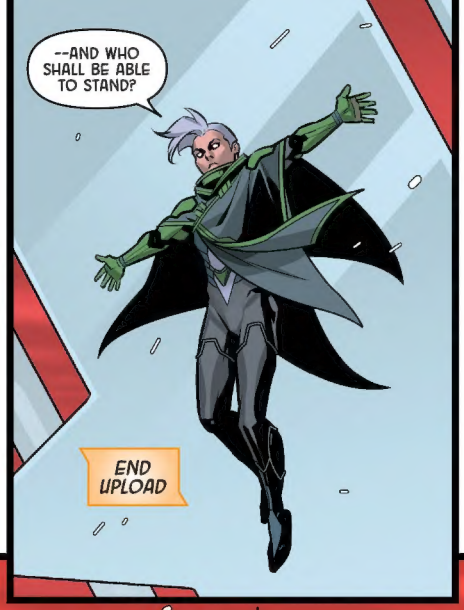
--SAYING-- COME AND SEE--
BEGIN UPLOAD
--AND I SAW--
--THE GREAT DAY OF HIS WRATH IS COME--

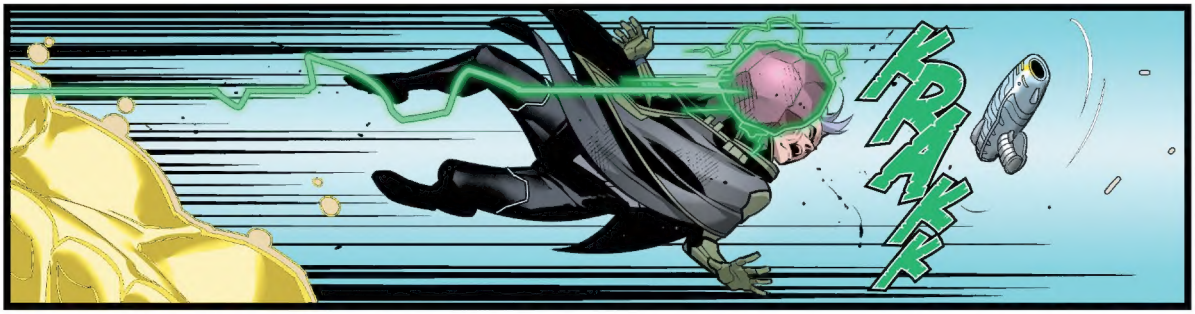


CONGRATULATIONS, NOH-VARR! YOU WIN THE BIG PRIZE!
THE KREE ARE ON THE INHUMAN FAMILY TREE! DISTANT, BACKWARD COUSINS, BUT STILL... REJOICE! BE PROUD!
UGH. SHUT UP, MAXIMUS... MY HEAD...
MEDUSA...CAN YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT HIM...?

IT'S A SOLID-STATE QUANTUM COMPUTER. A DIAGNOSTIC TOOL.
IT CONTROLS MINDS TO READ THEM--BOOSTS POWERS TO FULLY EXPLORE THEM. THEN TRANSMITS DATA BACK... SOMEWHERE.
AND IT'S SET FOR THE FOUR UNIVERSAL INHUMAN SPECIES--CENTAURIAN, BADOON, KYMELLIAN, DIRE WRAITH. NOT KREE OR HUMAN.
IT GAVE ME VISIONS--I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'D DO TO YOU.

ONE MORE THING--IT DOESN'T HAVE MOTIVE POWER OF ITS OWN. NO JETS, NO PROPULSION.
SO SOMETHING CALCULATED A TRAJECTORY--ACROSS IMPOSSIBLE DISTANCES--
--AND THEN THREW IT HERE.

A LITERAL "SKY SPEAR."
HMM.
LOOK OUT--


KRAKK

WHAT--?

SNARKWAR CONTINUES.
DYNGO, KOYOTI--TAKE THE ARMED ONES. THE ONES WITH THE POWERS.
KILL THE SICK ONE.
"WITHOUT POWERS, WHAT GOOD ARE YOU?"

I HEAR PEOPLE SAY THAT SOMETIMES. BEHIND MY BACK.
OR WORSE-- THEY ASSUME THAT I HAVE POWERS. THAT MY ABILITIES ARE A GIFT OF TERRIGEN.
BUT I BECAME GREAT WITHOUT ANY GIFTS... AND SO CAN YOU.
MONTHS AGO.
NEW ATTILAN.
OPTIMISM? FROM YOU?
I DON'T HAVE MY LIFE TO LIVE OVER AGAIN, KARNAK. I CAN'T TRAIN FROM CHILDHOOD LIKE YOU DID.
THE TRAINING HAS NO MEANING. THE PHILOSOPHY-- THAT IS THE MEANING.
IN TIME, ALL WE RELY ON WILL SHATTER AND FALL.
INSIDE THE MARBLE IS THE STATUE. INSIDE THE STATUE IS THE RUBBLE. INSIDE THE RUBBLE, THE DUST.
INCHOATE IN ALL THINGS ARE THEIR BROKEN STATES.
THE WORLD IS BROKEN, GORGON.
I ONLY FORCE IT TO ADMIT THAT.
CRACK
KARNAK--
--ENOUGH.
THE LAST THING GORGON NEEDS RIGHT NOW IS YOUR BRAND OF NIHILISM.

ACTUALLY, QUEEN MEDUSA, I FIND NIHILISM SUGAR-COATS THE HARSH REALITIES OF--
I SAID ENOUGH.
HOW ARE YOU FEELING, OLD FRIEND?
HARSHLY REALISTIC, MY QUEEN.
I...KNOW I AM NO LONGER NEEDED IN YOUR SERVICE...
THEN YOU KNOW NOTHING.
EVEN WITH LINEAGE DEFEATED--TIMES ARE DARK. THERE ARE SIGNS PORTENDING OF THE END OF DAYS.
I NEED YOU WITH ME, GORGON.
YOU ARE MY WARRIOR. MY MAN-AT-ARMS.
THE ONE INHUMAN I TRUST TO FIGHT ON--EVEN IF THE WORLD ENDS AROUND HIM.
YOU ARE GORGON PETRAGON--
--AND YOU'RE MORE THAN JUST A NICE PAIR OF HOOVES.

NOW.
ADMIT THE TRUTH.
ABOARD THE BUSZAHRD.
CLOAKED IN A HIDDEN LOCATION.
POWER TRANSFER HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN ALL CASES.
THE SUBJECTS WILL NEED TO BE KEPT ALIVE, OF COURSE--IF THEY DIE, THEIR ABILITY DIES TOO. A QUIRK OF THE QUANTUM FOAM.
AND WE MUSTN'T RISK LOSING OUR WEAPONS.
KLNK
THE WORLD--
--IS BROKEN.
KRRK
BROKEN.
BROKEN!
UNDER PROPER STASIS, THE SUBJECTS WILL...
...WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

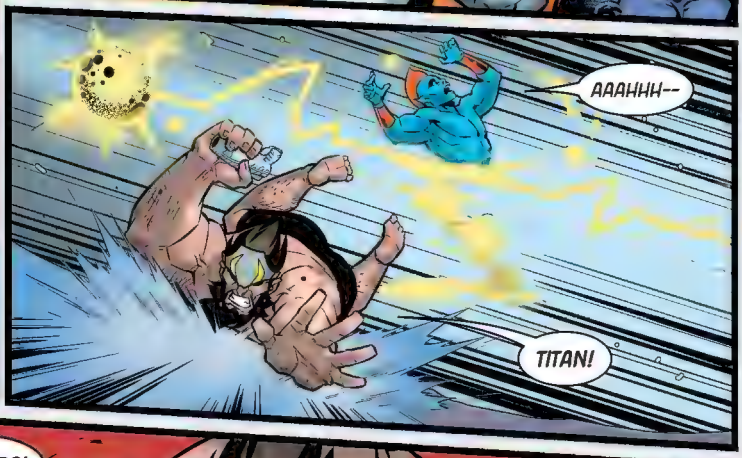
YOU'RE GOING TO HURT YOURSELF, MAMMAL.
YOUR STRENGTH IS OURS--FOR HYINAR, PRINCE OF SNARKWORLD, TO USE AGAINST HIS CURSED BROTHERS--
MY HOOVES ARE YOURS.
MY STOMP.
BUT MY STRENGTH...IS NO GIFT OF TERRIGEN. IT IS NOT--A POWER--NNH!
IT IS THE--NNNRRRHHH!--THE BIRTHRIGHT--OF EVERY INHUMAN--
THOUGH--ADMITTEDLY--
SPTANGG
--I DO A LOT OF WORKING OUT!
IT HURT DOING THAT. IT HURT A LOT.
SET MY FRIENDS FREE--

"--OR I'LL SHOW YOU HOW MUCH."
MAXIMUS...
WAY AHEAD OF YOU, COMMANDER.
THE UNIVERSAL INHUMAN COURT--AND ALL THEIR LOVELY POWERS--ARE ENTIRELY AT MY COMMAND.
THE NIGHTMARE TOUCH OF THE GODDESS ADOE. WHITEMANE'S BREATH OF ABSOLUTE FROST. TAKE YOUR PICK.
MORE THAN ENOUGH TO TAKE DOWN A BUNCH OF...
...OF LIZARDS...
WHAT'S WRONG WITH... WHY...
WHY DO I FEEL SO...
I BELIEVE HER NAME IS "SWAIN." HER GIFT OF EMOTIONAL MANIPULATION IS MINE NOW. THAT BLOCKS YOU.
AND THE PSYCHIC TOUCH OF THE BADOON WARRIOR, DARA KO EKE... KNOWN AS ALL-KNOWING...
...CAN CONTROL YOU.
DRINK OF YOUR OWN MEDICINE, MINDTAKER.
...
WHEN HE PUTS IT LIKE THAT...IT MAKES SO MUCH SENSE, DOESN'T IT?

PRINCE HYINAR REALLY SHOULD BE KING OF ALL THE SNARK WORLDS.
WHATEVER THAT TAKES...
THERE'S A GOOD PUPPET. WHY DON'T YOU--
WHAT?
THE BUSZAHRD--
--IT'S DE-CLOAKING!
DON'T THEY KNOW THEY'RE VULNERABLE TO CENTAURIAN SCANS?
IT'S AN INTERGALACTIC INCIDENT WAITING TO HAPPEN!
WHAT SORT OF IDIOT WOULD--
THIS SORT OF IDIOT!
INHUMANS-- LIGHT BRIGADE--
--CHARRRGE!
THIS IS CRAZY, GORGON.
THEY'VE GOT ALL OUR POWERS-- WE'VE GOT NOTHING--

I COUNT TWO THINGS, FLINT.
NOH-VARR'S GUN--
--AND OUR LIVES!

DIE, MAMMAL SCUM!
NO, YOU FOOL--WE NEED THEM ALIVE--


AAAHHH--
TITAN!

BASTARDS!
COMMANDER!

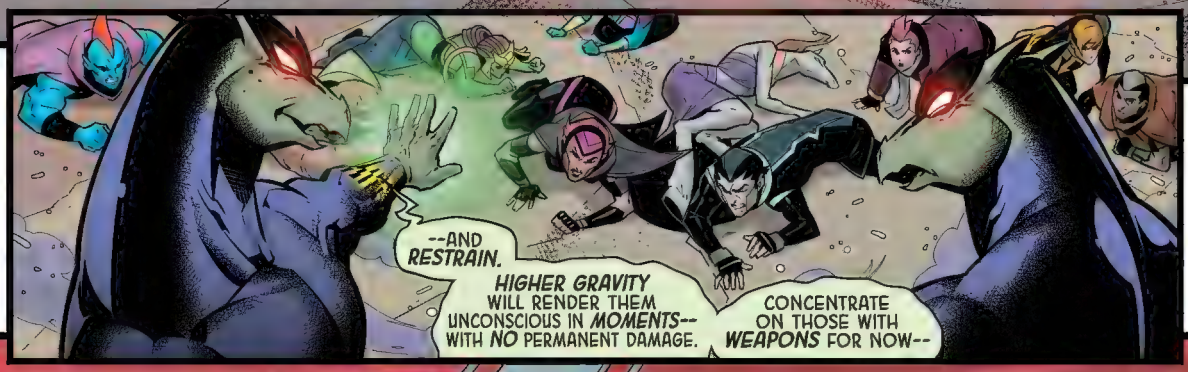
MAKE THEM PAY!

REQUEST GRANTED.
KZOW

I'M... FREE...?
WELL, THAT WAS NEW.

KOYOTI, MY BROTHER-- DEAD!
AND MY-- MY SKIN-- IT CHANGED BACK--
BECAUSE YOU KILLED ONE OF YOUR WEAPONS, FOOL!

MUST I ALWAYS SHOW YOU THE WAY, DYNGO? LIKE THIS!
DISORIENT--
THOOMM


--AND RESTRAIN.
HIGHER GRAVITY WILL RENDER THEM UNCONSCIOUS IN MOMENTS-- WITH NO PERMANENT DAMAGE.
CONCENTRATE ON THOSE WITH WEAPONS FOR NOW--

"--THE POWERLESS ARE THE LESSER THREAT."
THE GUY WITH MY GIFT IS DEAD, RIGHT?
I DON'T FEEL DIFFERENT.
DOESN'T MATTER, SWAIN. WE HAVE TO FIGHT BACK-- EVEN WITHOUT OUR--
OUR POWERS.
CRYSTAL--DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT YOU SAID THE FIRST TIME I SAW A SKYSPEAR?

MONTHS AGO.
WE'RE FINDING THE SKYSPEARS CONNECT WITH INHUMANS.
AND THEY AMPLIFY OUR POWERS...
AND MAYBE-- MAYBE GIVE THEM BACK.
NOTHING TO LOSE...
FLINT-- NO!
STAY AWAY FROM THE SKYSPEAR!
THE GREEN ONE!
EH?
STOP HIM, YOU MORON! WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE OBELISK WILL DO IF HE--
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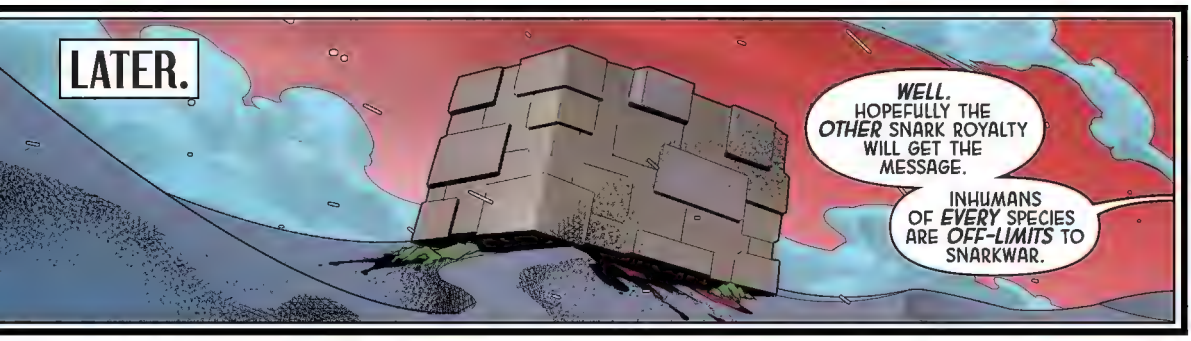
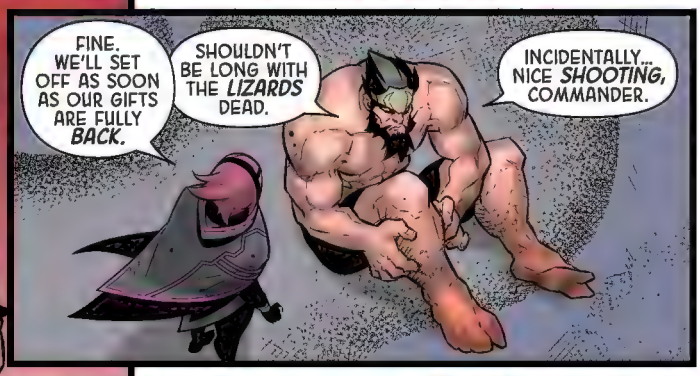
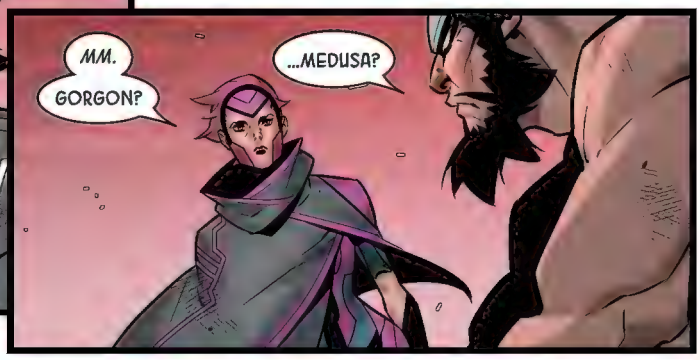
THE GROUND SHAKES...
IS... IS THIS YOUR WEAPON AGAIN, PRINCE?
NO, DYNGO.
NOT MY WEAPON.
THE CURSE OF MY BLOOD UPON YOU, MAMMAL!
MAY YOUR GIFT BE A BLIGHT TO YOUR FLESH! MAY YOU SEE YOUR WORLD IN RUIN!
AND MAY I SEE YOU NEXT IN THE PITS OF--


LATER.
WELL. HOPEFULLY THE OTHER SNARK ROYALTY WILL GET THE MESSAGE.
INHUMANS OF EVERY SPECIES ARE OFF-LIMITS TO SNARKWAR.

IT WAS A SCARY FIVE MINUTES, BUT OUR GIFTS ARE RETURNING. THOUGH I'D LIKE TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT FLINT.
I'D SUGGEST USING A CENTAURIAN MED-BAY, BUT THE FOUR QUEENS WANT US GONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...
FOR THAT, YOU CAN THANK MAXIMUS.

IN MY DEFENSE--I DID IT ALL FOR SCIENCE.
WITH WHAT WE'VE LEARNED, WE CAN MAP THE TRAJECTORY THE SKYSPEAR TOOK TO GET HERE--RIGHT BACK TO ITS POINT OF ORIGIN.
BACK TO OUR PROGENITORS... AND THE PRIMA MATERIA.


FINE. WE'LL SET OFF AS SOON AS OUR GIFTS ARE FULLY BACK.
SHOULDN'T BE LONG WITH THE LIZARDS DEAD.
INCIDENTALLY... NICE SHOOTING, COMMANDER.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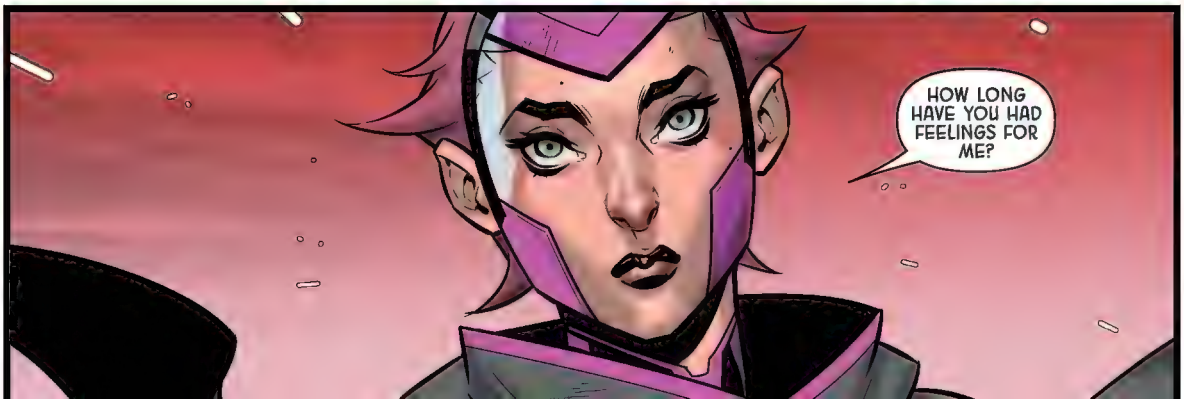
...MEDUSA?

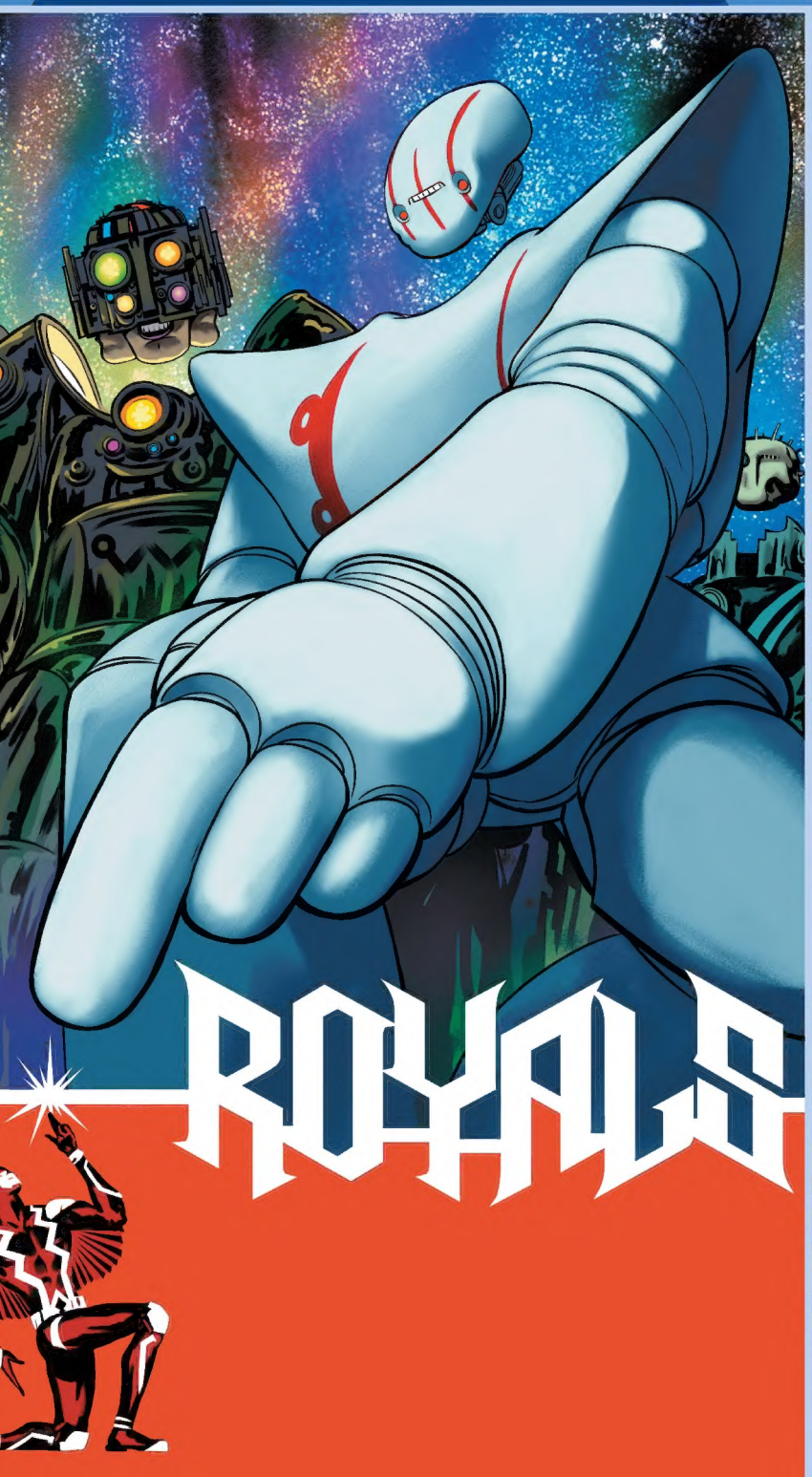

HOW LONG HAVE YOU HAD FEELINGS FOR ME?

YOUR MAJESTY-- I--
I'M NOT YOUR MAJESTY. AND I'M NOT BLIND, EITHER.
JUST TELL ME.
...
A COUPLE OF YEARS.
I BURIED IT.
YOU WERE THE KING'S WIFE. WE WERE FRIENDS.
IT DIDN'T FEEL RIGHT.
SO... I BURIED IT, AND IT WENT AWAY. OR I THOUGHT IT DID.
BUT... SEEING YOU COMMAND... SEEING THE FIRE IN YOU, THE LIFE...
...IT CAME BACK.
BUT SUCH FEELINGS HAVE MEANING ONLY IF THEY ARE RETURNED.
OTHERWISE, THEY ARE AN IMPOSITION-- NEITHER ASKED FOR NOR WANTED.
BETTER BURIED.
GORGON...
WE'RE ON A ROAD THAT LEADS TO OUR DEATHS. ALL OF US.
WE CAN'T AFFORD TO WASTE ANY TIME ON FOOLISHNESS.
I KNOW. I'M SORRY, COMMANDER.
YOU HAVE MY WORD-- THERE'LL BE NO NEED TO SPEAK OF THIS ANY--
NO.
THAT'S... NOT WHAT I MEANT.
COME HERE.
...
OH.

WAIT, WHAT?
TO BE CONTINUED...

ROYALS

NEXT: ROYALS #9



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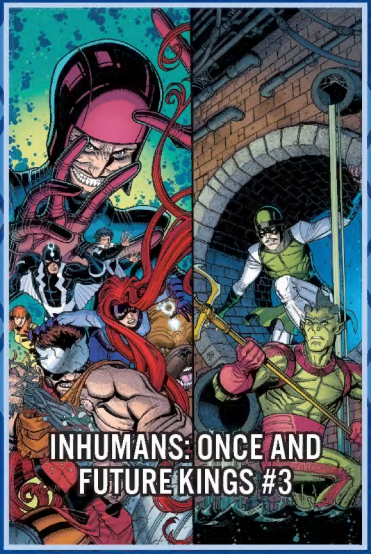
BLACK BOLT #6



INHUMANS: ONCE AND FUTURE KINGS #3

SECRET WARRIORS #7

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